

AMENDMENTS

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In the claims

Please amend claims 1 and 18, as follows:

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a<sup>1</sup> 1. (Once amended) [An] A replication-competent adenovirus vector comprising an adenovirus gene essential for replication under transcriptional control of a cell status-specific transcriptional regulatory element (TRE) [comprising a cell status-specific TRE].

a<sup>2</sup> 18. (Once amended) An adenovirus vector ~~comprising an adenovirus gene~~ under transcriptional control of [a] a TRE comprising a cell status-specific TRE and a cell-type specific TRE.

Please add new claims 29, 30 and 31 as follows:

a<sup>3</sup> --29. (New) The cell status specific TRE of claim 1 that comprises a cell status specific promoter.

30. (New) The cell status specific TRE of claim 1 that comprises a cell status specific enhancer.

31. (New) The cell status specific TRE of claim 1 that comprises a cell status specific promoter and a cell status specific enhancer. --

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 were pending in the present application. By virtue of this response, claims 1 and 18 have been amended and claims 29-31 have been added. Support for the amendment to claim 1, which now recites a replication competent adenovirus vector comprising an adenovirus gene essential for replication, can be found at least at page 6, lines 1-9 and page 9, lines 18-22.

The amendment to claim 18 is to correct an informality as suggested by the Examiner. Support